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In re Application for:

Nguen, et al.

Serial No.: 09/686,004

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Title: MINIMALLY INVASIVE VALVE REPAIR PROCEDURE AND APPARATUS Examiner: U. Ho

Group Art Unit: 3731

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to extend the time for responding to the Office action dated Decmeber 17, 2001. This extension will extend the time the response is due from January 17, 2002 to June 17, 2002.

X	A five month extension is requested; the extension fee for a small entity is
	\$980.00.

- A [] month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$*.
- A [] month Petition for Extension of Time was previously filed with the appropriate fee on *.
- The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated *.

Applicant is a small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27. A small ent	ity
statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27:	

- is enclosed []
- has already been filed in this application.

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- [X] A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
 - [] Charge \$ to Deposit Account No. 50-1947, referencing docket no. *.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any addition fees under 37 C.F.R §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to <u>Deposit Account No. 50-1947</u>, referencing docket no. <u>CSI-2013</u>.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 17, 2002

By: Harry / Macey

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